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Jim Burns Appointed Idaho Department of Finance Acting Securities Bureau Chief

Jim Burns has been appointed the Acting Securities Bureau Chief for the Idaho Department of Finance Securities Bureau. In this capacity, Burns will manage a bureau of financial professionals who provide regulatory oversight for the more than 100,000 entities and



individuals who are licensed or registered to offer securities and financial services to Idaho residents. While the Securities Bureau is focused on investor protection, education and enforcement of State securities laws, it also licenses and regulates money transmitter companies, escrow companies and endowed care cemeteries.

Burns has been associated with the financial services industry for more than three decades, serving in both industry and regulatory roles. Prior to his appointment, Burns served as the Securities Bureau Investigations Chief and Money Transmitter Program Manager for the Department and has extensive

experience in the detection and investigation of financial fraud.

Burns has a BBA and MBA from Boise State University, is a Certified Fraud Examiner, a Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist and a Certified Regulatory and Compliance Professional.

Investors can contact the Department at (208) 332-8004 or by visiting http://finance.idaho.gov for more information.